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Senate Bill No. 620

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The Committee on Aging reported through SEN. PRAGUE of the 19th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING A PLAN TO ENCOURAGE "AGING IN PLACE".

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
2 to study how the state can encourage "aging in place". Such study shall
3 include, but not be limited to, an examination of (1) infrastructure and
4 transportation improvements, (2) zoning changes to facilitate home
5 care, (3) enhanced nutrition programs and delivery options, (4)
6 improved fraud and abuse protections, (5) expansion of home medical
7 care options, (6) tax incentives, and (7) incentives for private insurance.

8 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

9 (1) The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing
10 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
11 relating to aging, or their designees;

12 (2) Two members appointed by the speaker of the House of

13 Representatives;

14 (3) Two members appointed by the president pro tempore of the
15 Senate;

16 (4) One member appointed by the majority leader of the House of
17 Representatives;

18 (5) One member appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;

19 (6) One member appointed by the minority leader of the House of
20 Representatives;

21 (7) One member appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

22 (8) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's
23 designee; and

24 (9) Two members appointed by the Governor.

25 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
26 (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) or (7) of subsection (b) of this section may be a
27 member of the General Assembly.

28 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
29 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
30 filled by the appointing authority.

31 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president
32 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force
33 from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall
34 schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not
35 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

36 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
37 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to aging shall
38 serve as administrative staff of the task force.

39 (g) Not later than January 1, 2012, the task force shall submit a

40 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
41 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
42 relating to aging, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of
43 the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it
44 submits such report or January 1, 2012, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

AGE *Joint Favorable*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 12 \$
Legislative Management	GF - Cost	Less Than \$5,000

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill establishes a task force to study the encouragement of "aging in place". The task force must report its findings and recommendations to the Aging Committee by January 1, 2012.

The bill permits members of the General Assembly to participate on the task force, and requires the staff of the Aging Committee to provide administrative assistance. The Office of Legislative Management would incur minimal costs, estimated to be less than \$5,000 in FY 12, associated with mileage reimbursement of 51 cents per mile for legislators participating on the task force.

The Out Years

There is no annualized ongoing fiscal impact since the task force terminates in FY 12.

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Aging Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 12 Nay 0 (03/01/2011)